

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Anantapur District - Field Firing Range- Identification of land to an extent of Ac.10,696.00 at Kambadur and Kanaganapalli Mandals in Dharmavaram Division, for establishment of Field Firing Range - Orders- Issued.

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REVENUE (ASSN.V) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 1429

Dated: 2nd December, 2008

Read the following:

1. Government Memo. No. 39546/Asn.IV(2)/2007, dt.5.2.2008
2. From the Collector, Anantapur, Lr.No.E3/1868/2007, dt.5.3.2008.
3. From the Colonel, General Staff for Commander, Andhra Sub-Area, Secunderabad, A.P. Lr.No.2111/7/GS(Trg) dt.31-03-2008
4. From the Special Chief Secretary and Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad, Lr.No.Spl.B3/403/2008 dt.17.9.2008.

ORDER:

1. In the reference first read above, Government have decided for establishing Field Firing Range at Dharmavaram Division in Anantapur District and requested the Collector, Anantapur to identify suitable land.
2. In the reference second read above, the Collector, Anantapur District has reported that, lands including Govt land, patta land, assigned lands in Kambadur and Kanaganapalli Mandals have been identified. Altogether, an extent of Ac. 10,695.09 was identified for Impact Area for establishment of Field Firing Range, as per the maneuvers, Field Firing Ranges and Artillery Practice Act, 1938. He has also reported the estimated cost for alienation of lands. The total amount comes to Rs.142,48,80,500.00 /- .
3. In the reference third read above, Colonel General Staff for Commander has requested the Government to issue orders for issue of notification of proposed Area/land in Dharmavaram Revenue Division for Field Firing Range initially for about 20 years and renewable after every 5 years, as per the MANOEUVRES, Field Firing Ranges and Artillery Practice Act, 1938(Central Act, 5 of 1938)

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4. In the reference fourth read above, the CCLA, Hyd has reported that, the preliminary investigations reveals that about 38 kms X 16 kms area will be required for notification of Field Firing Range out of which 10696 acres will be the impact area which is required to be acquired. It revealed that 7 houses and 1 temple falling in the impact area will have to be evacuated and rehabilitated else where.

1. **Impact area (Danger Zone)** : is the target area on which firing Projects /shells from Artillery guns, various types of Anti Tank Missiles from tanks /launchers and motor bombs are fired. It is no man zone during the Course of field firing. Therefore it has to be acquired by Army by transfer of title from Govt of A.P. After discussion the Army officers agreed to limit the impact area to 10696 acres only.
2. **Non Impact area**: it is the area where the guns and arms are deployed and put to use. It is used for gun areas, maneuvering of guns and movement of armed forces to carry out various military exercises. The projectiles from various arms/artillery guns will be flying over this area.

5. The CCLA, Hyd has also reported that, non-impact areas are not proposed to be acquired by the Army with transfer of title or involves any acquisition by the Govt. However both the Impact and non-impact areas have to be notified by Govt of Andhra Pradesh as Field Firing Range. The army has proposed that initially a notification may be issued for the impact /Non Impact areas in Dharmavaram division in Anantapur District, for Field Firing Range for about 20 years with a provision to renew the same after every five years. The CCLA, Hyd has further reported that, action should be taken to obtain the permission of the Government of India to hand over Acs. 92.86 gts of Reserved Forest land., which is located in proposed Impact area to be handed over to the Army . If required, the extent of forestland may have to be de-Notified as Reserved Forest land.

6. The Special Chief Secretary and Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad has finally recommended the following actions to be taken.

1. An impact area of Acs. 10,696 as identified by both the Army officials as well as Revenue Dept in Kambadur and Kanaganipalli (M) is found suitable for setting up of Field Firing Range. This would lead to dislocation of only seven families. The financial implications to acquire Acs.10,696 are estimated to be around Rs.159.48 crores.

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2. Government may issue order agreeing in Principle for Field Firing Range as identified and to acquire the land for the Impact Area in Kambadur and Kanaganipalli Mandals . On the basis of this G.O. the Ministry of Defence will release funds which are to be deposited with the Revenue Dept before acquiring the lands identified for Firing Range.
3. Government may also agree in principle to notify the impact and Non Impact areas as mentioned in the proposal above for Field Firing Range initially for a period of 20 years with a clause to renew the same every five years. This action may be initiated after land required for Impact area is acquired and handed over to the Army.
7. Government after careful examination in the matter, hereby accord sanction for issue of Notification for Field Firing Ranges.
8. The following notification will be published in an extraordinary issue of the A.P. Gazette dt. 3.12.2008.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 9 of the Maneuvers Field Firing and Artillery Practice Act, 1938 (Central Act 5 of 1938) the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby notify the following villages in Dharmavaram Revenue Division in Anantapur District for initial period of 20 years and will be renewed after every 5 years in lieu of Shameerpet Field firing Ranges for carrying and periodically of Field Firing and artillery practice throughout the notified area or any part thereof.

Boundaries for Firing Ranges in Dharmavaram Division.

- a) North: Enumala Chennampalli, Nuthimadugu and Tagar Kunta Villages
- a) East: Ellakuntla, Nemalivaram and Kothapalli Villages
- b) South: Dubbarapalli, Achampalli and Kambadur Villages
- d) West: Tenegalla, Kamakkapalli, and Narayanapuram Villages.

NOTICE

Under subsection (3) of section 9 of the Manoeuvres, Field Firing and Artillery Practice Act, 1938 (Central Act No.5 of 1938), the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby gives notice of his intention to issue on or after the expiry of two months from the date of the publication of this notice in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, a notification under sub section (2) thereof, authorizing the carrying out of Field Firing and Artillery Practices throughout the notified area or any part thereof.

9. Government also hereby accord Sanction for the acquisition of 10,696 acres of land in Kambadur and Kanaganapalli mandals in Dharmavram Division at the cost of Rs. 142,48,80,500-00 as proposed by the Collector, Anantapur. District as per the procedure.

10. The Special Chief Secretary and Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad and Collector, Anantapur shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M.SAMUEL
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Spl.CS & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad

The Collector, Anantapur District

The Colonel, General Staff for Commander, Andhra Sub-Area, Secunderabad,
Andhra Pradesh.

The Director, Printing and Stationary.

(With request to issue an extraordinary Gazette)

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The General Administration (Political) Department

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